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METHOD OF MANUFACTURING SELF-LIGHT  
EMITTING DEVICE USING THIN FILM  
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The family of JP 11-016679 cited herein includes:

US patent no. 5,972,419  
US patent no. 6,087,771

The family of WO 99/010861 cited herein includes:  
US patent no. 6,373,453 B1

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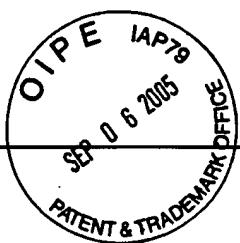


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